# Alaska Local and Regional Information Workforce Info

# Kobuk

Kobuk is a second class city located on the right bank of the Kobuk River. It is about 7 miles northeast of Shungnak and 130 air miles northeast of Kotzebue. It is the smallest village in the Northwest Arctic Borough. Kobuk is part of the Northwest Arctic Borough.

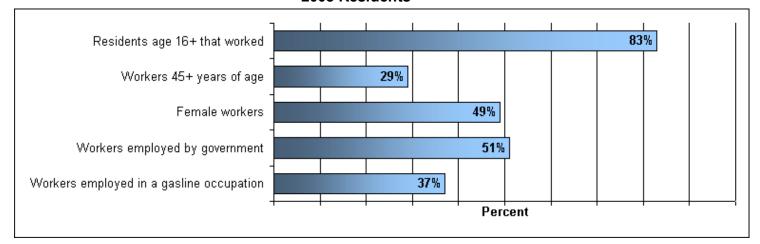
- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 109, no change since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 83 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Local Government was the main industry in 2008, employing 51 percent of the area's workers.
- More workers were employed as Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers than any other occupation.

Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

	Kobuk Resident	Snapshot (2008)		
Working Age Residents		Wages		
Residents age 16+	76	Total wages	\$1,174,773	
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector		
Total	63	Private	31	
Male	32	State government	0	
Female	31	Local government	32	
Age 45+	18	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers		
Age 50+	15	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	53	
		Percent working all 4 quarters	34.9%	
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)		
UI Claimants	14	Some construction	25	
		At least 1 year construction	13	
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	2	
New hires	34	Worked in an AGIA occupation	53	

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#### 2008 Residents

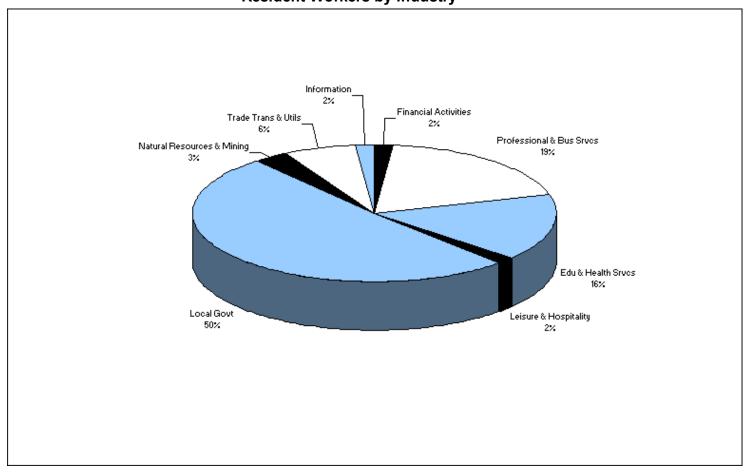


### **Top Occupations**

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	6	50.0%	0	0
Geological and Petroleum Technicians	5	20.0%	0	0

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## **Resident Workers by Industry**



#### Workers by Industry

	Number	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	*	*	* Age +31	* Age 301
Construction	0	0.0%	0	0
Manufacturing	0	0.0%	0	0
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	*	*	*	*
Information	*	*	*	*
Financial Activities	*	*	*	*
Professional and Business Services	12	33.3%	2	2
Educational and Health Services	10	60.0%	3	3
Leisure and Hospitality	*	*	*	*
State Government	0	0.0%	0	0
Local Government	32	56.2%	11	8
Other	0	0.0%	0	0
Unknown	0	0.0%	0	0

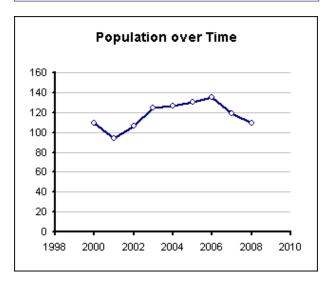
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Recent Unemployment Statistics				
	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	5	5	4	6

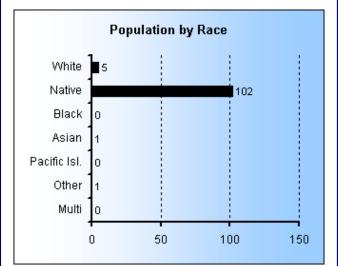
<sup>\*\*</sup>UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

#### Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Kobuk Traditional Council
Maniilaq Association Inc
Northwest Arctic Borough School
Nana Management Services LLC
City of Kobuk
Nana Regional Corporation
Udelhoven Oilfield System SVC
Teck Cominco Alaska Inc
NW Inupiat Housing Authority
Harry O Brown Trading
Goldrush Pancakes No 2 Inc
GCI Communication Corp
Frontier Flying Service Inc
Bering Air Incorporated
AK Commercial Co



2000 Census		
Median Age	17.4	
Average Family Size	4.3	
Average Household Size	4.2	
Per Capita Income	\$9,844	
Median Family Income	\$20,313	
Median Household Income	\$30,750	



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

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